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## CLAIMS

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- 1. A method for screening for titanium binding peptides comprising contacting titanium with a population of phage wherein said phage of said population collectively express a library of different peptide sequence; recovering titanium bound to phage particles via peptide sequence from said population by centrifugation; proliferating the obtained titanium binding phage particles in bacteria; and repeating a panning operation comprising the contact of titanium with the proliferated titanium binding phage expressing a peptide sequence on phage particles and concentrating proliferating titanium binding phage clones.
- 2. A titanium binding peptide obtained by the method for screening according to claim 1.
- 3. A titanium binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1.
- 4. A titanium binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1, wherein at least one amino acid is deleted, substituted or added in the amino acid sequence.
- 5. The titanium binding peptide according to claim 4, wherein the 1, 4 and 5th amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 are conserved.
- 6. The titanium binding peptide according to claim 5, comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2 wherein

the 2nd lysine is substituted by alanine.

- A titanium binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 8. A titanium binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 3, wherein at least one amino acid is deleted, substituted or added in the amino acid sequence.
- 9. The titanium binding peptide according to claim 8, wherein the 1, 4 and 5th amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 3 are conserved.
- 10. The titanium binding peptide according to claim 8, comprising amino acid sequences shown in SEQ ID NOs: 4 to 14, wherein the 1 to 5th and 7 to 12th amino acid residues are substituted by alanine, respectively.
- 11. The titanium binding peptide according to claim 8 or 9, comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 15, wherein alanine is added/inserted to the N terminal of the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 12. The titanium binding peptide comprising amino acid sequences shown in SEQ ID NOs: 16 to 24.
- 13. A titanium binding peptide comprising amino acid sequences shown in SEQ ID NOs: 16 to 24, wherein at least one amino acid is deleted, substituted or added in the amino acid sequence.

- 14. A titanium binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NOs: 25 to 38.
- 15. A titanium binding peptide comprising amino acid sequences shown in SEQ ID NOs: 25 to 38 wherein at least one amino acid is deleted, substituted or added in the amino acid sequence.
- 16. The titanium binding peptide according to any one of claims2 to 15, being chemically modified.
- 17. The titanium binding peptide according to any one of claims 2 to 16, wherein titanium is metal titanium, titanium alloy or titanium dioxide.
- 18. A titanium-peptide complex, wherein the titanium binding peptide according to any one of claims 2 to 16 is bound to titanium.
- 19. An artificial titanium binding protein being a conjugate of the titanium binding peptide according to any one of claims 2 to 16, with a functional peptide or a functional protein.
- 20. The artificial protein according to claim 19, wherein the functional peptide or the functional protein is a peptide or a protein that cooperates with a titanium binding peptide to form a two-dimensional crystalline by self-assembly.
- 21. The artificial protein according to claim 19, wherein the functional peptide or the functional protein is a peptide or a protein comprising a peptide sequence having a

cell-recognizing ability such as cell adhesion ability.

- 22. A titanium-artificial protein complex, wherein the artificial protein according to any one of claims 19 to 21 is bound to titanium.
- 23. A titanium binding chimeric protein being a conjugate of the titanium binding peptide according to any one of claims 2 to 17, with a labeled substance or a peptide tag, or with a conjugate with a nonpeptide compound.
- 24. A titanium-chimeric protein complex, wherein the chimeric protein according to claim 23 is bound to titanium.
- 25. A titanium binding phage expressing the titanium binding peptide according to any one of claims 2 to 17 on the particle surface.
- 26. A titanium-phage complex, wherein the phage according to claim 25 is bound to titanium.
- 27. A method for refinement of a titanium surface or for forming a titanium particle, wherein the titanium binding peptide according to any one of claims 2 to 17 is used.
- 28. A method for refinement of a titanium surface, for forming a titanium particle, or for aligning titanium particles, wherein the titanium binding artificial protein according to any one of claims 19 to 21 is used.

- 29. A method for refinement of a titanium surface or for forming a titanium particle, wherein the titanium binding chimeric protein according to claim 23 is used.
- 30. A method for aligning titanium or for forming a titanium particle, wherein the titanium binding phage according to claim 25 is used.
- 31. An implant material comprising the titanium-artificial protein complex according to claim 22 as an active ingredient.
- 32. A silver binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1.
- 33. A silver binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1, wherein at least one amino acid is deleted, substituted or added in the amino acid sequence.
- 34. The silver binding peptide according to claim 33, wherein the 1, 4 and 5th amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 are conserved.
- 35. The silver binding peptide according to claim 34, comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2, wherein the 2nd lysine is substituted by alanine.
- 36. A silver binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 37. A silver binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence

shown in SEQ ID NO: 3, wherein at least one amino acid is deleted, substituted or added in the amino acid sequence.

- 38. The silver binding peptide according to any one of claims 32 to 37, being chemically modified.
- 39. A silver-peptide complex, wherein the silver binding peptide according to any one of claims 32 to 38 is bound to silver.
- 40. A silver binding artificial protein being a conjugate of the silver binding peptide according to any one of claims 32 to 38, with a functional peptide or a functional protein.
- 41. A silver-artificial protein complex, wherein the artificial protein according to claim 40 is bound to silver.
- 42. A silver binding chimeric protein being a conjugate of the silver binding peptide according to any one of claims 32 to 38, with a labeled substance or a peptide tag, or with a conjugate with a nonpeptide compound.
- 43. A silver-chimeric protein complex, wherein the chimeric protein according to claim 42 is bound to silver.
- 44. A silver binding phage expressing the silver binding peptide according to any one of claims 32 to 38 on the particle surface.
- 45. A silver-phage complex, wherein the phage according to

claim 44 is bound to silver.

- 46. A method for refinement of a silver surface or for forming a silver particle, wherein the silver binding peptide according to any one of claims 32 to 38 is used.
- 47. A method for refinement of a silver surface, for forming a silver particle, or for aligning silver, wherein the silver binding artificial protein according to claim 40 is used.
- 48. A method for refinement of a silver surface or forming a silver particle, wherein the silver binding chimeric protein according to claim 42 is used.
- 49. A method for forming a silver particle or for aligning silver, wherein the silver binding phage according to claim 44 is used.
- 50. A silicon binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1.
- 51. A silicon binding peptide, comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1, wherein at least one amino acid is deleted, substituted or added in the amino acid sequence.
- 52. The silicon binding peptide according to claim 49, wherein the 1, 4 and 5th amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 are conserved.
- 53. The silicon binding peptide according to claim 50,

comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2, wherein the 2nd lysine is substituted by alanine.

- 54. A silicon binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 55. A silicon binding peptide comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 3, wherein at least one amino acid is deleted, substituted or added in the amino acid sequence.
- 56. The silicon binding peptide according to any one of claims50 to 56, being chemically modified.
- 57. A silicon-peptide complex, wherein the silicon binding peptide according to any one of claims 50 to 56 is bound to silicon.
- 58. A silicon binding artificial protein being a conjugate of the silicon binding peptide according to any one of claims 50 to 56, with a functional peptide or a functional protein.
- 59. A silicon-artificial protein complex, wherein the artificial protein according to claim 58 is bound to silicon.
- 60. A silicon binding chimeric protein being a conjugate of the silicon binding peptide according to any one of claims 50 to 56, with a labeled substance or a peptide tag, or being a conjugate with a nonpeptide compound.
- 61. A silicon-chimeric protein complex wherein the chimeric

protein according to claim 60 is bound to silicon.

- 62. A silicon binding phage expressing the silicon binding peptide according to any one of claims 50 to 56 on the particle surface.
- 63. A silicon-phage complex, wherein the phage according to claim 62 is bound to silicon.
- 64. A method for refinement of a silicon surface or for forming a silicon particle, wherein the silicon binding peptide according to any one of claims 50 to 56 is used.
- 65. A method for refinement of a silicon surface, for forming a silicon particle, or for aligning silicon, wherein the silicon binding artificial protein according to claim 58 is used.
- 66. A method for refinement of a silicon surface or for forming a silicon particle, wherein the silicon binding chimeric protein according to claim 60 is used.
- 67. A method for forming a silicon particle or for aligning silicon, wherein the silicon binding phage according to claim 62 is used.
- 68. A method using the titanium binding peptide according to any one of claims 2 to 17, the silver binding peptide according to any one of claims 32 to 38, or the silicon binding peptide according to any one of claims 50 to 56, as a probe of atomic force microscope (AFM).